

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in Response to the Examiner's Answer dated January 19, 2010, having a shortened statutory period set to expire March 19, 2010.

In paragraph 11(D) of the Examiner's Answer, the Examiner indicates that Claims 10 and 22 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the features of the base claim and any intervening claim. Accordingly, Appellants have proposed amendment to Claims 1 and 13 to include the features formerly recited in Claims 9-10 and 21-22, respectively, which are canceled herein. Appellants have also canceled independent Claim 25 and proposed amendments to the claims depending from Claims 1 and 13 to address issues raised by the proposed amendments to the underlying independent claims.

Because the proposed amendments clearly place all pending claims in condition for allowance in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter and cancel all other claims, Appellants respectfully submit that entry of the present amendment is proper and respectfully request that the present application be passed to issuance.

No additional fee is believed to be required; however, in the event any additional fees are required, please charge IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0563. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. However, in the event an extension of time is required, that extension of time is hereby requested. Please charge any fee associated with an extension of time to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0563.

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